## Wayne County Courthouse

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Chairman Julius Genachowski Federal Communications Commission 445 12th Street SW Washington, DC 20554

Re: GN Docket 11-65

Dear Chairman Genachowski and Commissioners:

As Mayor of Wayne County, I am always trying to keep up with any advancement that can improve the lives of those in our community. Mobile broadband is one such advancement. Using wireless services to connect underserved and rural areas to a faster Internet experience is the most efficient way to connect these areas.

This is why I urge you to support the proposed merger of AT&T and T-Mobile. By combining their infrastructure and bandwidth, citizens could have access to a faster and more reliable mobile Internet. With the approval of this merger, AT&T's 4G LTE offering could become available to more than 300 million consumers across the country, including our communities.

Access to the highest quality Internet service is extremely important to Wayne County. With access to mobile broadband technology, our local businesses can compete with those across the country. In today's globalized business environment, we need to ensure our companies have every advantage available to them.

When this issue comes before the commission, I encourage you to approve this merger and help our rural towns.

Sincerely,

Jason Rich

Wayne County Mayor

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